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Dear Parents & Carers,

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On Wednesday and Thursday last week, the governors carried out assessment and interview days for the role of headteacher of the school. Following that process, the Governors are delighted to announce that we have appointed Mr Paul Garratty to the role of Headteacher to take effect from 1st April 2023.

Mr Garratty has been a teacher for nearly 25 years, across both KS1 and KS2. He has previously worked in a Church of England Primary school and so has experience of the unique environment and is keen to be a part of that once again. Most recently, he has been a member of the Liberty Primary School in Mitcham since 2015, and since the beginning of the summer term has been acting headteacher as maternity cover.

We were impressed with both his faith, passion for education and vision for the future. His values are very closely aligned with ours and our motto of 'Together, Growing in Mind, Body and Spirit'.

Having spoken with him at the weekend, he said that he had no hesitation in accepting the offer and is very excited about taking on the responsibility and working with such a dedicated and committed staff and our children. He is looking forward to building on the strong foundations left by both Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Hudson, and taking the school from strength to strength.

Over the course of the Spring Term, Mrs Hudson will work with Mr Garratty to give him a detailed understanding of our school and the opportunities and challenges that we face. I know that he is very keen to introduce himself and meet as many of you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience during the long process and once again. I would also like to express my sincere thanks to Mrs Hudson who has been a wonderful addition to our community and will continue to be so for the next term.

Yours sincerely
Melvyn Allen
Chair of Governors

